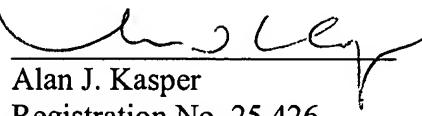


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-29 are pending in the application. Several of the claims were amended in a first Preliminary Amendment filed on October 12, 2004 in order to remove improper multiple dependencies and to reduce the number of claims. Upon review of the first Preliminary Amendment, Applicants noted that certain errors had occurred in the claim selection and in the wording of the claims. These errors are now corrected. In addition, it was noted that numbers were inadvertently inserted into or around the text of claims 3, 7, 10, 16, 22, 27 and 33. These numbers have simply been omitted in the present amendment.

No new matter has been added. Support for the change in claim 9 appears at pages 7 and 9 of the specification. Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

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